

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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ACCORDING CENTRAL UNIVERSITY STATUS TO STATE UNIVERSITIES

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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the rules and procedure laid down to accord the status of Central University to State Universities;
- (b) the State-wise position of Central Universities, particularly in Bihar; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to develop and improve the functioning and quality of these universities?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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(a) to (c): A central university is established by the Government of India through an Act of Parliament.

At present there are 18 Central Universities in the country. The State-wise position of Central Universities is given in Annexure.

For the maintenance and improvement of the standards of teaching, examination and research in universities, the Government has set up the University Grants Commission (UGC) which has, from time to time, framed regulations like minimum qualifications for appointment of teachers, minimum standards of instruction, model syllabi for courses etc. With the objective of evaluating all higher educational institutions for their standing in providing quality education the UGC has established National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). The Commission also provides grants under various plan Schemes to Central Universities for improvement in their functioning and the quality of education imparted.

Annexure

STATE-WISE POSITION OF CENTRAL UNIVERSITIES

There are 18 Central Universities (including Central Agricultural University, Imphal) in the Country as per the State/UT-wise break-up given below

Andhra Pradesh	-	2
Assam	-	2
Delhi	-	4
Maharashtra	-	1
Manipur	-	1
Meghalaya	-	1
Mizoram	-	1
Nagaland	-	1
Pondicherry	-	1
Uttar Pradesh	-	3
West Bengal	-	1

Total - 18